



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: December 23, 2016

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK of December 19, 2016

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

On Tuesday, December 20, the Plan Commission held its regular meeting. At the meeting, the Commission held a public hearing for the proposed Heritage Woods Assisted Living Facility located on the southwest corner of Techny and Shermer. As part of the application, the applicant requests a number of zoning amendments and approvals to allow for the development of a 105-unit, three-story assisted living facility.

Following a presentation from the Applicant, the Commission heard public comments. A number of residents spoke in opposition to the project, citing concerns with its density, height and the added traffic it would bring to the adjacent intersection. Due to the late hour, the Commission closed public comment for the evening but noted that the hearing would be continued to a future date to allow for more comment.

After hearing from the public, the Plan Commission members provided their comments. Several Commission members stated that the proposed development was not appropriate at this location, while others felt it was an appropriate use, but that the building height and density needed to be reduced and the setbacks increased. The Commission asked the Applicant to consider the comments made by the public and Plan Commission. At the request of the Applicant, the public hearing was continued to Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS LARGE SCALE DRILL

On Monday, December 19, the Northbrook Fire Department Hazardous Materials Response Team coordinated and conducted the annual HazMat “Rodeo” drill at the Northern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy. Approximately 35 hazardous materials (HazMat) technicians from 17 neighboring departments participated in the annual drill, which was designed by Northbrook Lieutenant Thom Kanelos. The technicians were able to employ techniques, training, and experience in performing an obstacle course of various simulated HazMat intervention tasks.



WINTER STORM – DECEMBER 16, 17 AND 18

Beginning on Friday, December 16 and continuing into Sunday, December 18, Northbrook Public Works crews responded to two rounds of snowfall. In total, approximately five inches of snow fell between the two events, and crews used about 363 tons of salt.

Motorists are reminded that the Village of Northbrook’s on-street parking ban is in effect when there is two inches or more of snow. Vehicles parked on the street are a safety obstruction that will delay the removal of snow from Village roadways. Cars parked on the street will be ticketed and towed. Parking on the street may resume after plowing operations have been completed. Your cooperation is appreciated!

COMED TREE TRIMMING

ComEd recently issued notice to the Village that they will begin tree-trimming operations in and around the Village in mid-February and anticipate continuing through mid-May. Trees and branches will be trimmed that interfere with power lines, creating safety hazards and increasing the chance of power outages. For more information about vegetation maintenance along power lines and ComEd’s “Right Tree, Right Place” program, please visit: <http://www.ComEd.com/Trees>. ComEd will mail postcards, like the one pictured, to residents in the areas that they will be trimming.

TREE TRIMMING TO BEGIN SOON

Trees and branches that interfere with power lines can create safety hazards and cause power outages. Preventative tree maintenance helps avoid power outages.

- Within the next 3 months we will trim trees, branches and vines that interfere or have the potential to interfere with power lines.
- In some cases, tree removal may be required. The remaining tree stumps are treated with an approved herbicide to prevent future regrowth. Herbicide will be applied by state-licensed applicators.
- All work is performed by trained, qualified arborists.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit ComEd.com/Trees or call us at 800-Edison-1 (800-334-7661)

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Visite ComEd.com/Arboles o llámenos al 800-95-LUCES (800-955-8237)

If you have any questions regarding the tree trimming process, call 800-Edison-1 (800-334-7661) and ask to speak with a Vegetation Management representative, or visit our web site at ComEd.com/Trees. You may also request a written copy of the dispute resolution process. Property owners may appeal planned vegetation management activities through ComEd or the Illinois Commerce Commission. To contact a Consumer Affairs Officer of the Illinois Commerce Commission call 800-524-0795. Maps of the affected areas are on file at your local municipal or county office.

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WATER MAIN BREAK AT 633 SKOKIE BOULEVARD

On Saturday, December 17, at 5:30 a.m. crews were alerted about a 12-inch water main break in front of 633 Skokie Boulevard. The break was repaired by 2:00 p.m. Shortly after service was restored, a second break occurred about 350 feet north. The second break was repaired by 9:00 p.m. and crews completed the pavement restoration with cold patch asphalt on Tuesday.

A SAFETY MESSAGE FROM POLICE CHIEF WERNICK

Prevention of a crime of opportunity may be as simple as paying attention to your surroundings and not leaving any unattended valuables, even just for a few seconds. It’s easy for a thief to grab something from a purse when it’s left unattended in a shopping cart or on a counter or hanging on the back of a chair in a busy restaurant, especially during the holiday season. Remember to lock your vehicle and remove your valuables! It’s not unusual for someone to report a missing purse or electronic device. Often times, these items are taken from an unlocked vehicle, sometimes parked in the caller’s driveway or when left unattended for a quick errand. If you must leave valuables in your car, place them in the trunk before you reach your destination.

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS FROM FIRE CHIEF TORRES

Each year, fire departments across the country respond to thousands of holiday fires. As you prepare for the holiday celebrations, please take time to review the following information to help prevent a fire from occurring in your home. Understanding and following the safety tips listed below can save lives and minimize injuries and property loss from fire.

This season brings an abundance of holiday cooking. Please take note of these common kitchen fire hazards and review them with your family, especially your favorite cook.

- Keep all combustible materials such as loose clothing and potholders away from the stove.
- Pot handles should be turned in and away from the reach of small children to avoid scalds or fire-related burns.
- Make sure that your oven is cleaned on a regular basis to reduce the chance of a grease fire.

If you have a “fresh” Christmas tree, one of the most important things you can do to avoid a fire is keep the tree hydrated by checking and refilling its water supply. While regular water will work, a mixture of water and sugar or any one of the regular commercial products available in garden supply stores will keep a tree fresher.

When purchasing or installing holiday lights, make sure the wiring is not frayed or exposed. Additionally, make sure to limit the use of extension cords and connecting multiple strands to reduce the possibility of a fire.

For those using candles during the holidays, please be sure to follow the tips below:

- Burn candles inside a 1-foot circle of safety, free of anything that can burn.
- Extinguish candles after use.
- Keep candles out of reach of children and pets.
- Use a sturdy metal, glass, or ceramic candleholder.
- Never leave a burning candle unattended.

Keep your holidays fire safe!

Week of December 26, 2016

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| MON. | 12/26 | | Village Hall Closed Christmas Day Observed |
| TUES. | 12/27 | | Kwanza begins (thru 1/1/17) |
| | | 7:30 a.m. | ICDC - Canceled |
| | | 7:30 p.m. | Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Canceled |
| WED. | 12/28 | 7:00 p.m. | CRC Subcommittee Celebration of Cultures – Library |
| THURS. | 12/29 | | No Meetings |
| FRI. | 12/30 | | No Meetings |
| SAT. | 12/31 | | New Year’s Eve |
| SUN. | 1/1/2017 | | New Year’s Day |
| MON. | 1/2 | | Village Hall Closed New Year’s Day Observed |